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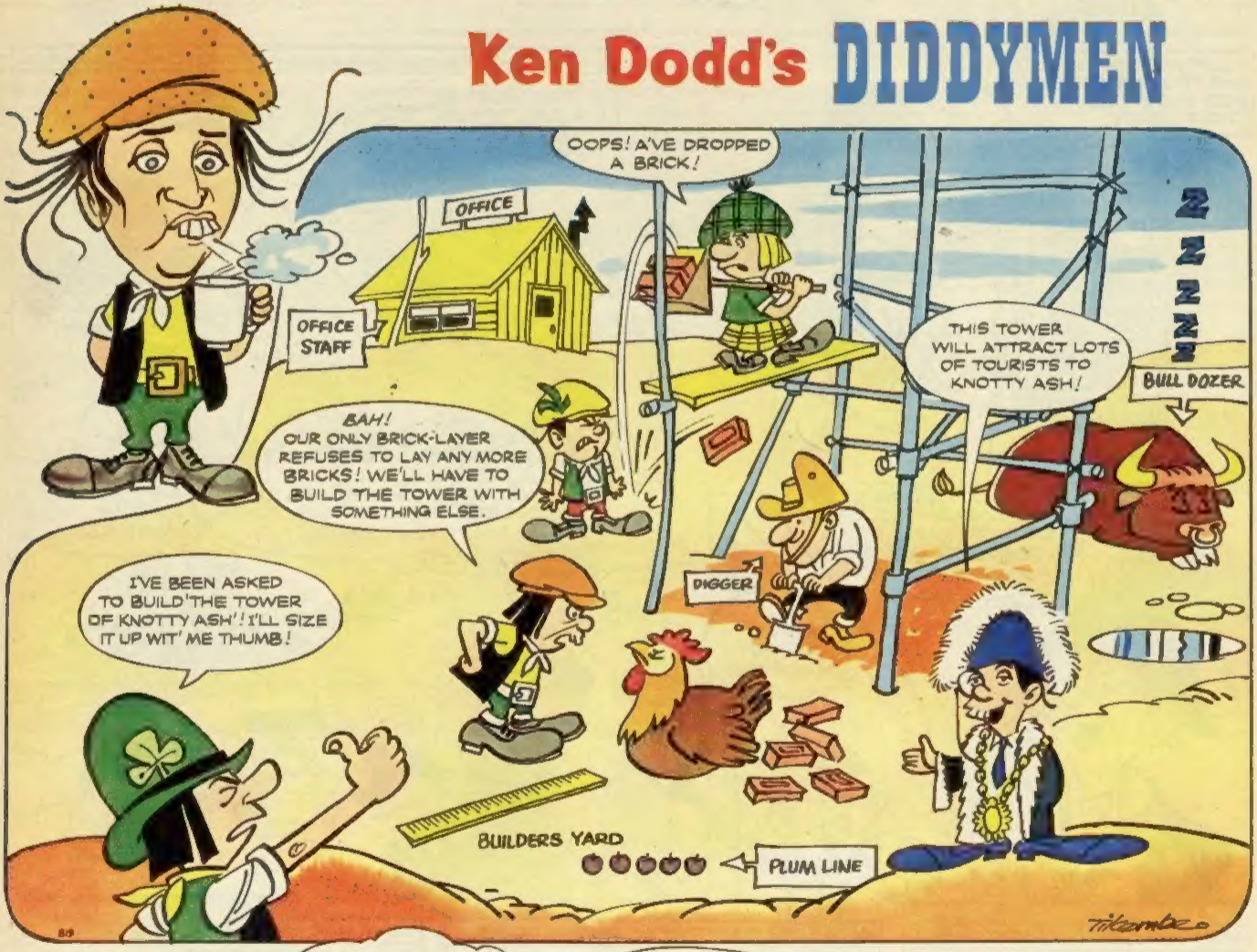
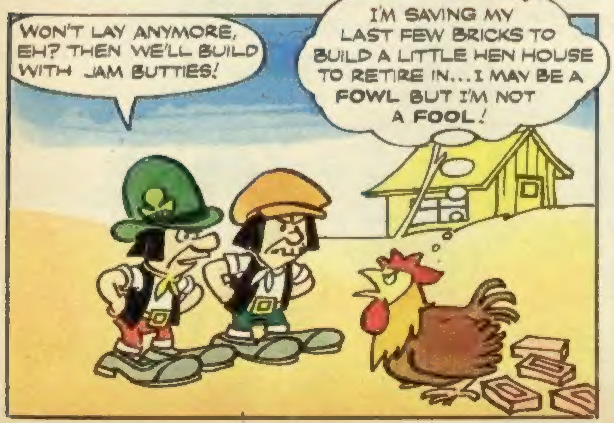
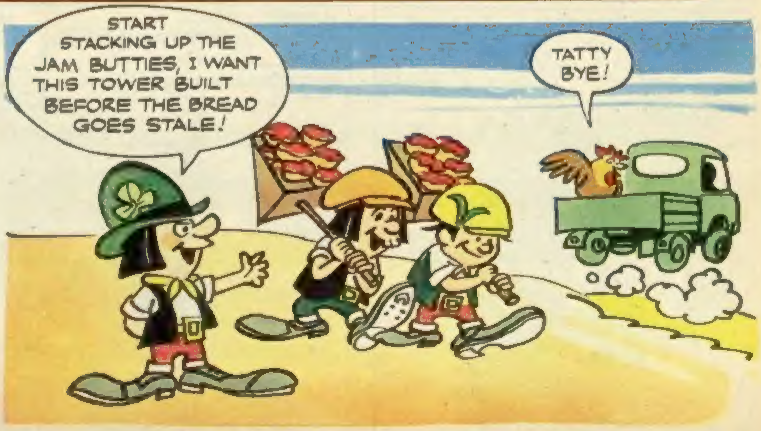
## Ken Dodd's DIDDYMEN


OOPS! A'VE DROPPED A BRICK!
OFFICE
OFFICE STAFF
BAH! OUR ONLY BRICK-LAYER REFUSES TO LAY ANY MORE BRICKS! WE'LL HAVE TO BUILD THE TOWER WITH SOMETHING ELSE.
THIS TOWER WILL ATTRACT LOTS OF TOURISTS TO KNOTTY ASH!
ZZZZZ
BULL DOZER
DIGGER
I'VE BEEN ASKED TO BUILD 'THE TOWER OF KNOTTY ASH'! I'LL SIZE IT UP WIT' ME THUMB!
BUILDERS YARD
PLUM LINE


WON'T LAY ANYMORE, EH? THEN WE'LL BUILD WITH JAM BUTTIES!
I'M SAVING MY LAST FEW BRICKS TO BUILD A LITTLE HEN HOUSE TO RETIRE IN... I MAY BE A FOWL BUT I'M NOT A FOOL!

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AN HOUR LATER, IT'S TIME FOR A TEA-BREAK...

HAVE A JAM BUTTY, MICK...

T'BE SURE I'M SICK O' THE SIGHT OF 'EM! I'D SOONER EAT THIS BRICK!

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HELP! I'M STUCK BETWEEN THE FIFTH AND SIXTH LAYER...

YOU'LL JUST HAVE TO EAT YOUR WAY OUT! BACK TO WORK MEN!

HOURS LATER...

NO WONDER THE TOWER IS LEANING... WHEN I SIZED IT UP I DIDN'T REALISE MY THUMB WAS BENT!

'THE LEANING TOWER OF KNOTTY ASH'! WHAT A TOURIST ATTRACTION! IT'LL BRING LOTS OF PEOPLE AND MONEY FLOODING INTO MY TOWN!

I'LL PHONE THE TOURISTS AND TELL THEM TO FLOCK INTO KNOTTY ASH WITH THEIR MONEY!

SO, THE PHONE RINGS ON A BEACH CROWDED WITH TOURISTS.

THAT MUST BE A CALL FOR US TOURISTS! I'LL TAKE IT!

RING! DING!

TELL ALL YOUR FRIENDS THAT THE LEANING TOWER OF KNOTTY ASH IS COMPLETE! COME AND SEE IT!

IT SOUNDS GREAT! WE'RE ON OUR WAY!

TAKE TO THE COACHES, FELLOW TOURISTS! THE KNOTTY ASH TOWER IS READY FOR VIEWING!

WE'D BETTER DIG DADDY UP... HE'LL WANT TO COME!

MEANWHILE, BACK IN KNOTTY ASH...

WE'D BETTER HOLD THE TOWER UP UNTIL THE TOURISTS GET HERE, LADS!

HMMM! JAM!.. COME ON, BOYS! LET'S HAVE A FEED!

SO BY THE TIME THE TOURISTS ARRIVE...

BEES! YAAAH! WE'RE NOT STOPPING HERE... ABANDON KNOTTY ASH!

ZZZZ ZZZZ ZZZZ

BEGGORRAH! THESE BEES ARE EATIN' MY TOWER!

NEXT MORNING...

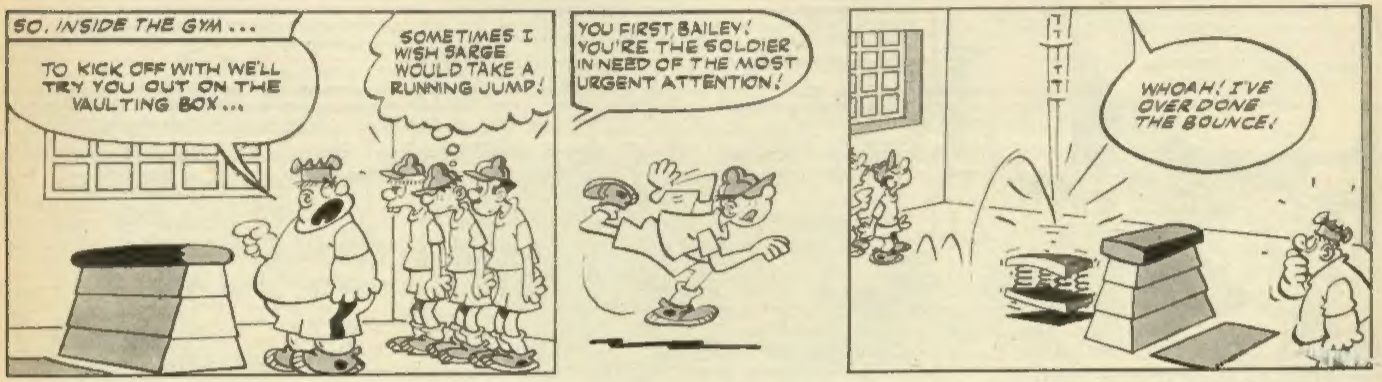
THANKS TO THAT TOWER THERE ARE NOT ONLY NO TOURISTS IN KNOTTY ASH... THERE ARE NO RESIDENTS EITHER!

ZZZZZ! BURP! ZZZZ!

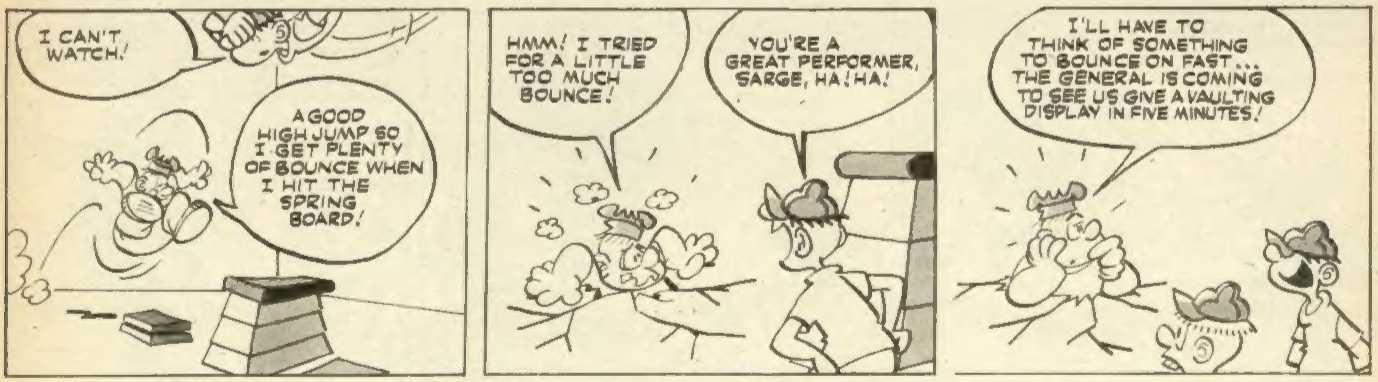
**Next week the Diddymen are cowboys . . . Bully for you if you buy TV Comic!**

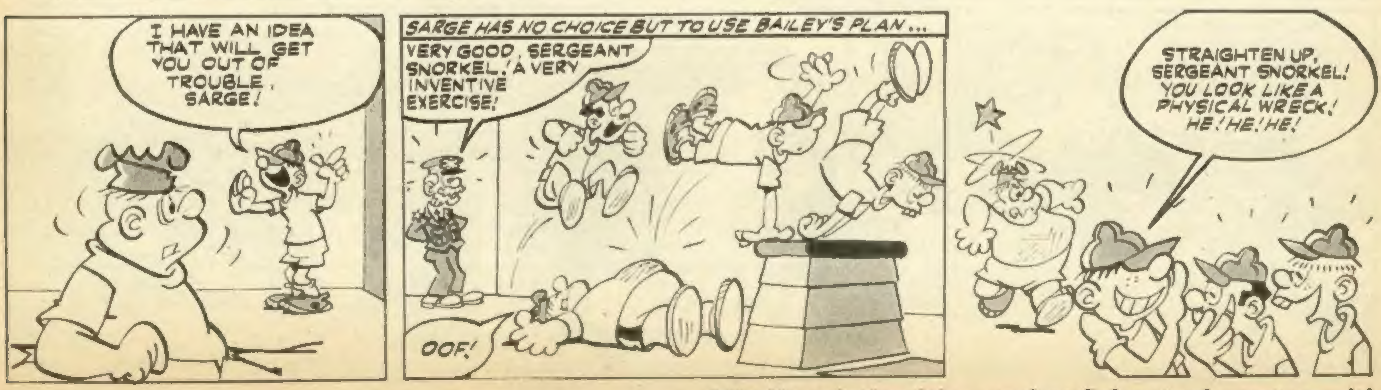
# BEETLE BAILEY

YOU LOT LOOK LIKE A BUNCH OF LAZY OLD MEN... PUT YOUR SHOULDERS BACK...!
OH, NO! SARGE IS GOING TO HAVE ONE OF HIS DISCIPLINE DRIVES...
A DOSE OF PHYSICAL TRAINING WILL STRAIGHTEN YOU OUT!
HUH! HE MEANS PHYSICAL TORTURE...
GYM


SO, INSIDE THE GYM...
TO KICK OFF WITH WE'LL TRY YOU OUT ON THE VAULTING BOX...
SOMETIMES I WISH SARGE WOULD TAKE A RUNNING JUMP!
YOU FIRST, BAILEY! YOU'RE THE SOLDIER IN NEED OF THE MOST URGENT ATTENTION!
WHOAH! I'VE OVER DONE THE BOUNCE!

HOW DID I DO, SARGE?..
THAT'S NOT QUITE WHAT I HAD IN MIND!
I CAN SEE I SHALL HAVE TO SHOW YOU ALL HOW IT SHOULD BE DONE!
THIS WILL BE A VAULT TO END ALL VAULTS!


I CAN'T WATCH!
A GOOD HIGH JUMP SO I GET PLENTY OF BOUNCE WHEN I HIT THE SPRING BOARD!
HMM! I TRIED FOR A LITTLE TOO MUCH BOUNCE!
YOU'RE A GREAT PERFORMER, SARGE, HA! HA!
I'LL HAVE TO THINK OF SOMETHING TO BOUNCE ON FAST... THE GENERAL IS COMING TO SEE US GIVE A VAULTING DISPLAY IN FIVE MINUTES!


I HAVE AN IDEA THAT WILL GET YOU OUT OF TROUBLE, SARGE!
SARGE HAS NO CHOICE BUT TO USE BAILEY'S PLAN...
VERY GOOD, SERGEANT SNORKEL! A VERY INVENTIVE EXERCISE!
OOF!
STRAIGHTEN UP, SERGEANT SNORKEL! YOU LOOK LIKE A PHYSICAL WRECK! HE! HE! HE!

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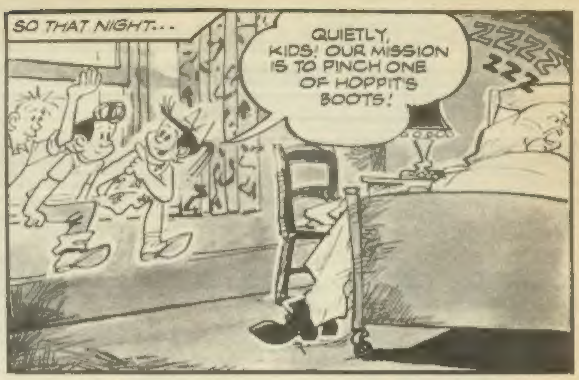
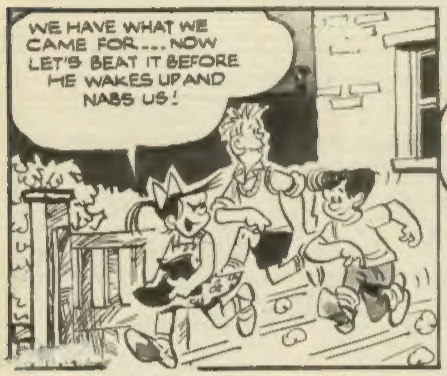
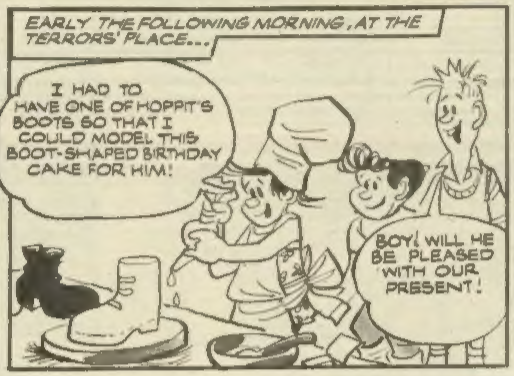
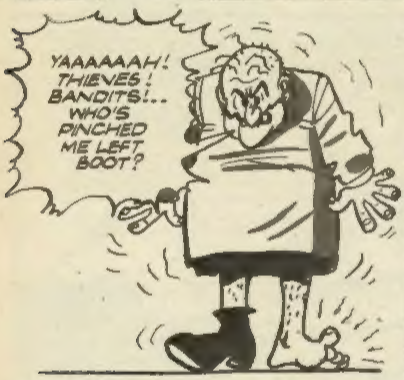
**Missile mirth with a rocket firing tank next week!**

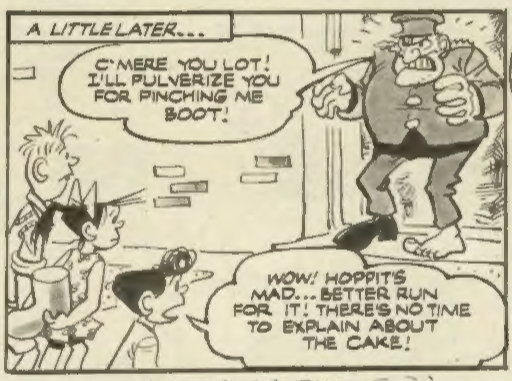
# TV TERRORS

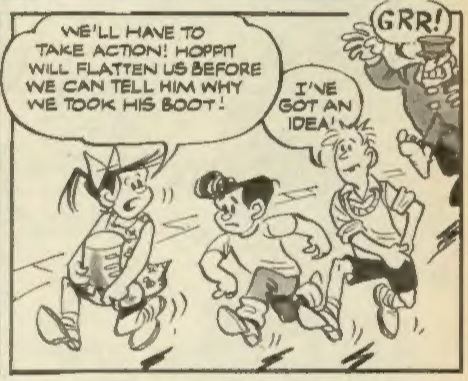


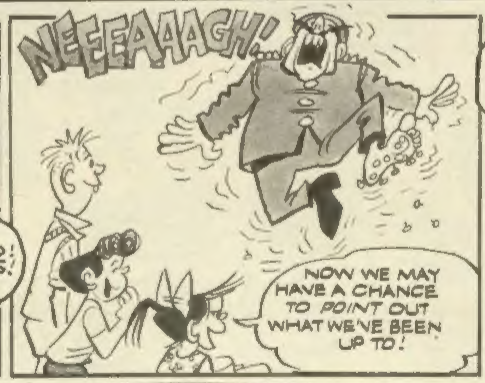





EARLY THE FOLLOWING MORNING, AT THE TERRORS' PLACE...
I HAD TO HAVE ONE OF HOPPIT'S BOOTS SO THAT I COULD MODEL THIS BOOT-SHAPED BIRTHDAY CAKE FOR HIM!
BOY! WILL HE BE PLEASED WITH OUR PRESENT!





A LITTLE LATER...
C'MERE YOU LOT! I'LL PULVERIZE YOU FOR PINCHING ME BOOT!
WOW! HOPPIT'S MAD... BETTER RUN FOR IT! THERE'S NO TIME TO EXPLAIN ABOUT THE CAKE!



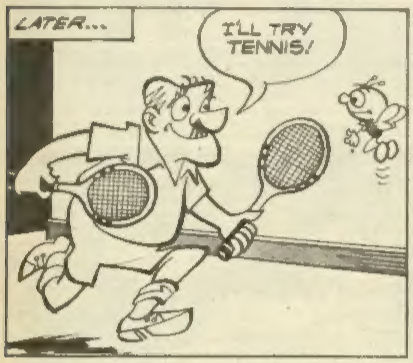


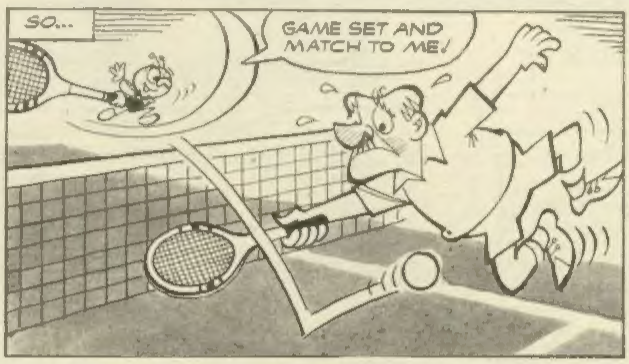
HERE YOU ARE, HOPPIT! HAPPY BIRTHDAY! HOPE YOU GET A KICK OUT OF EATING IT!
I DON'T KNOW WHAT TO SAY! BLUBBER... I'M DEEPLY TOUCHED... SNIVVLE- I'LL WEAR IT INSTEAD!

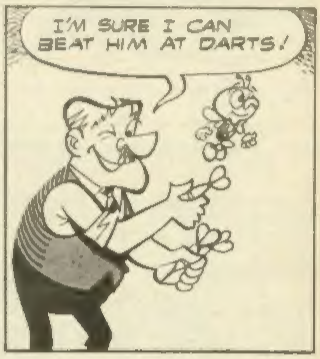
THIS IS THE NICEST THING THAT'S HAPPENED TO ME! YOU MAY GO INTO THE STUDIO!
HO! HO! HO! HO!
THANKS, HOPPIT! YOU'RE GETTING SILLIER BUT KINDER IN YOUR OLD AGE!
I SEE IT... BUT I DON'T BELIEVE IT!
SPLURSH!

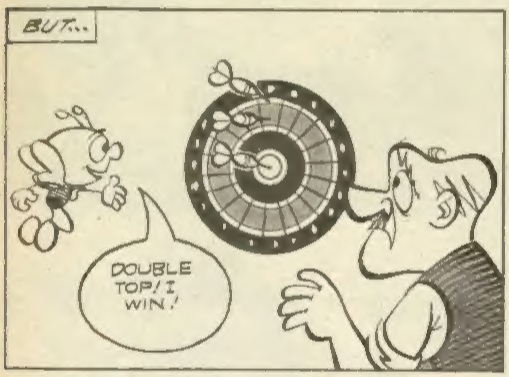
**The Terrors get their usual kicks next week and so will you!**

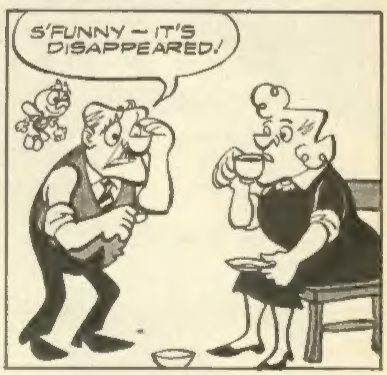
# MIGHTY MOTH

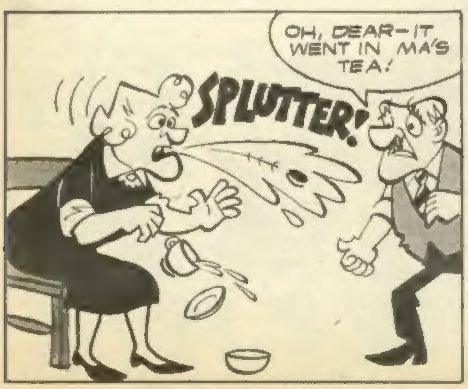


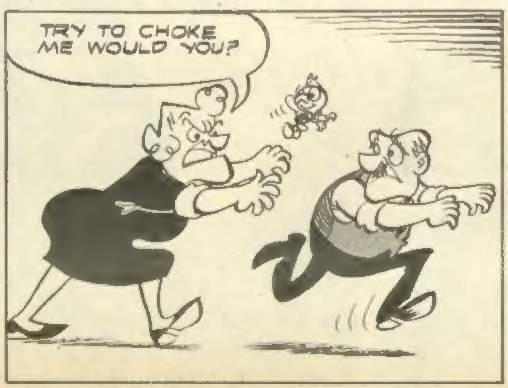



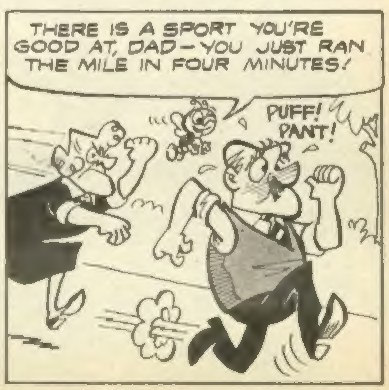





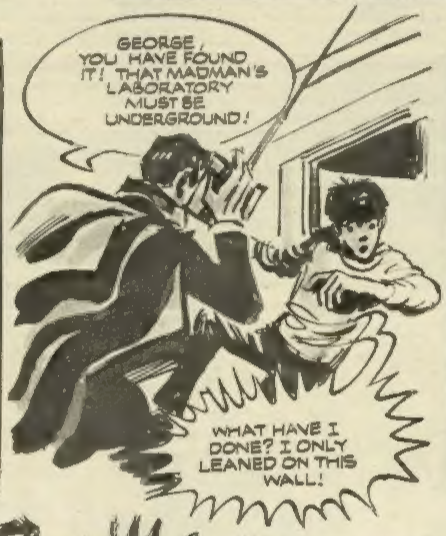




**Next week's Mighty Moth is a knockout when Dad finds a hammer!**

# ADAM ADAMANT

The mad toymaker is talking to his toys in his underground laboratory. He thinks that he has destroyed Adam, who is pursuing him . . .

BUT ADAM AND HIS YOUNG FRIEND ARE IN THE EMPTY HOUSE ABOVE....
I'M SURE I AM RIGHT! THIS INSTRUMENT IS CLICKING AWAY! THOSE DEADLY TOYS MUST BE SOMEWHERE HERE!



YOU MUST HAVE LEANED ON SOME SECRET SWITCH! WE MUST BE CAREFUL NOW, FOR THIS MAN IS DANGEROUS!
IMAGINE IT! A MADMAN WHO LOVES TOYS!

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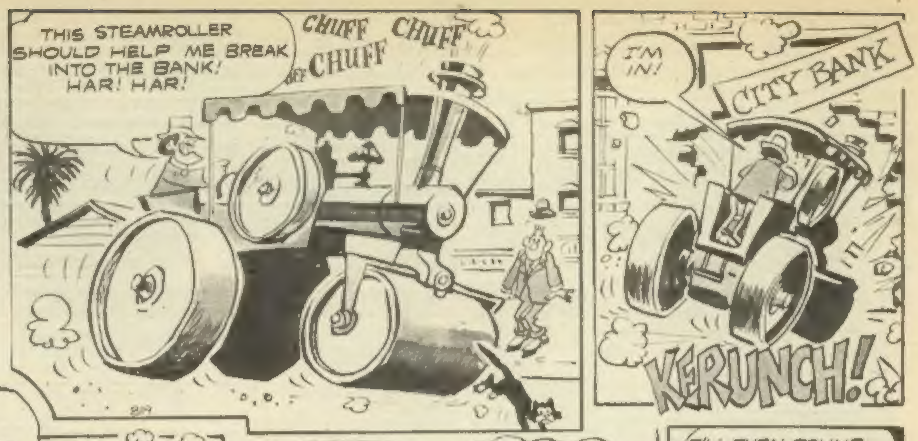
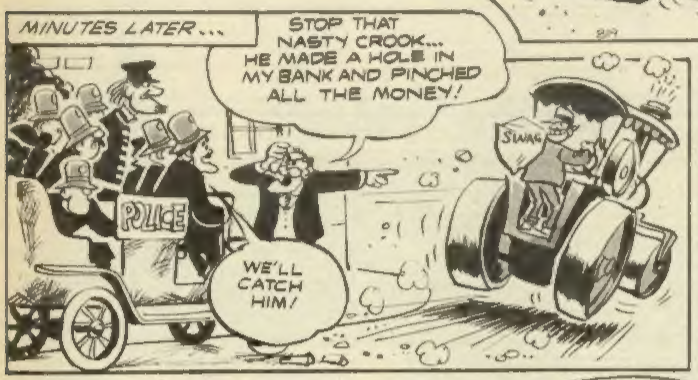
**Don't miss next week's dramatic episode in TV Comic!**

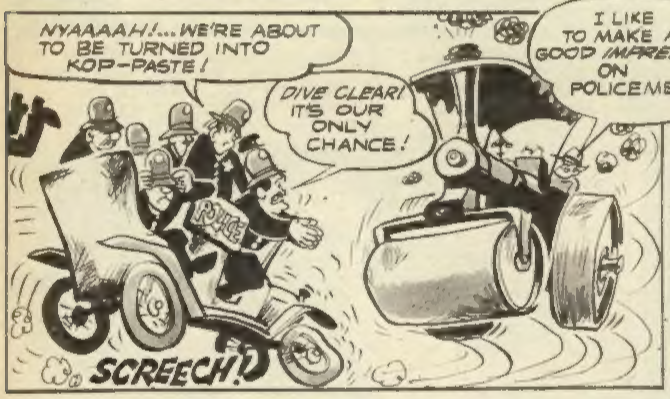
# Bob Monkhouse's MAD MOVIES

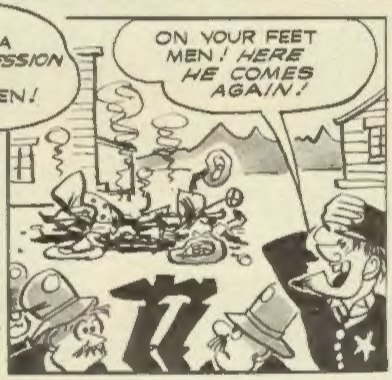
featuring

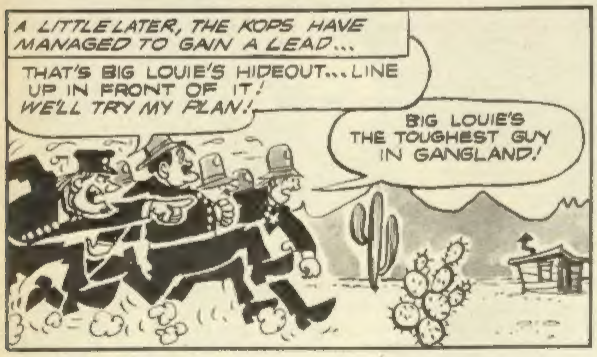
## The Keystone Kops

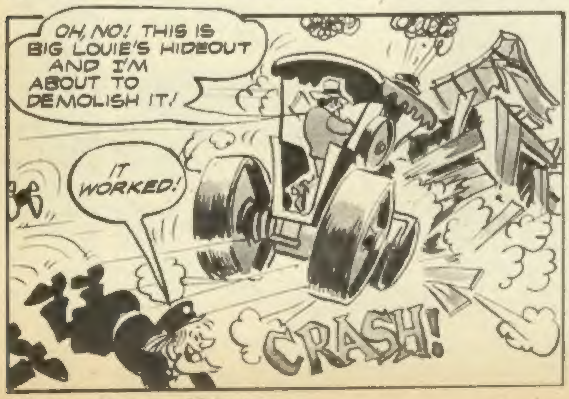


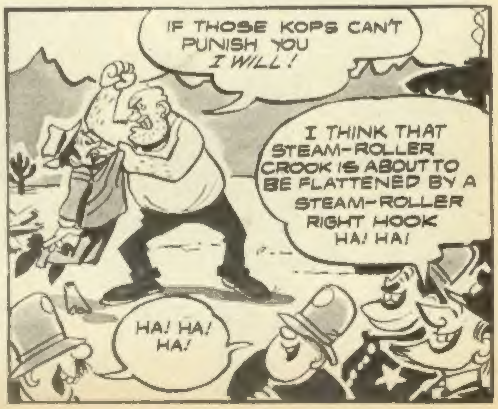




NYAAAAH!... WE'RE ABOUT TO BE TURNED INTO KOP-PASTE!
DIVE CLEAR! IT'S OUR ONLY CHANCE!
I LIKE TO MAKE A GOOD IMPRESSION ON POLICEMEN!
POLICE
SCREECH!




A LITTLE LATER, THE KOPS HAVE MANAGED TO GAIN A LEAD...
THAT'S BIG LOUIE'S HIDEOUT... LINE UP IN FRONT OF IT! WE'LL TRY MY PLAN!
BIG LOUIE'S THE TOUGHEST GUY IN GANGLAND!




IF THOSE KOPS CAN'T PUNISH YOU I WILL!
I THINK THAT STEAM-ROLLER CROOK IS ABOUT TO BE FLATTENED BY A STEAM-ROLLER RIGHT HOOK HA! HA!
HA! HA! HA!

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**More krazy kapers with the Kops knext week!**

# ORLANDO

Brilliant, military-styled robberies near the coast have the police baffled. Orlando and Steve discover the bandits responsible have their hideout on an old ship where they are taught their deadly skills. Our heroes are training aboard as criminals, hoping to nab the 'brains' of the outfit, known as the Admiral.

YOUR KARATE AND SHOOTING ABILITY IS TOP GRADE... IF YOU CAN FIGHT OFF AN ATTACK BY ARMED MEN YOU'LL BE ELIGIBLE FOR OUR TOP SQUAD!
WE'LL TAKE A CRACK AT ANYTHING!

YOU BOTH HANDLE YOURSELVES WITH THE CALM OF EXPERTS... THE ADMIRAL WILL HEAR OF YOUR PROGRESS AND MAY REQUIRE YOU TO HANDLE IMPORTANT ASSIGNMENTS FOR HIM.
WE'D BE PROUD TO SERVE THE LEADER.

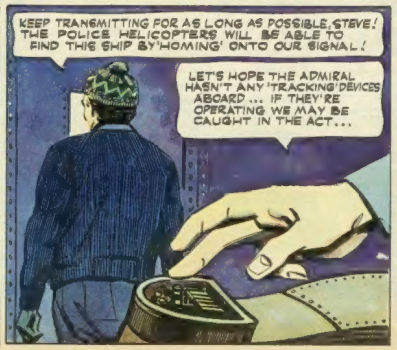
THAT NIGHT, ORLANDO AND STEVE DISCUSS THEIR TACTICS IN THE SAFETY OF THEIR CABIN..
WE'VE EARNED OURSELVES SOME RESPECT AMONGST THESE CUT-THROATS.. OUR OBJECTIVE NOW IS TO MAKE SURE THAT THE ADMIRAL HIMSELF IS ABOARD BEFORE WE CONTACT THE POLICE!
NUMBER ONE SAID WE MIGHT BE REQUIRED TO DO A JOB FOR THE BIG MAN... IN WHICH CASE WE'LL FIND OUT WHETHER OR NOT HE'S ABOARD!

THE PROOF THE CRIME-FIGHTERS WERE WAITING FOR WAS SOON LAID AT THEIR FEET...
YOU'VE BOTH BEEN HONOURED! THE ADMIRAL WANTS TO SEE YOU IN HIS CABIN!
THEN HE IS ABOARD!.. WHEN STEVE AND I RETURN WE'LL BE ABLE TO TELL THE POLICE WHERE THEY CAN MAKE A LARGE CATCH... THE BIG FISH AS WELL!

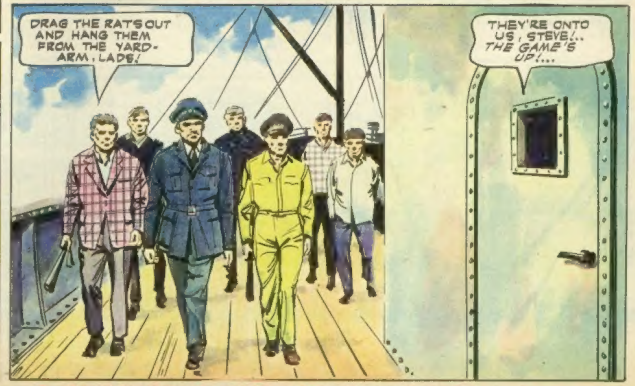
TEN MINUTES LATER, ORLANDO AND STEVE ARE IN THE PRESENCE OF THE MAN RESPONSIBLE FOR THE UNSOLVED ROBBERIES...
THE TWO OF YOU HAVE NOT BEEN WITH US LONG BUT ALREADY NUMBER ONE TELLS ME YOU ARE THE MOST SKILFUL ABOARD.. I SHALL REQUIRE YOUR SERVICE.. RETURN TO YOUR CABIN AND AWAIT INSTRUCTIONS!

ONCE THE CRIME-FIGHTERS ARE INSIDE THEIR CABIN THEY SWING INTO ACTION...
WORK FAST, STEVE! USE THE MINI-TRANSMITTER IN YOUR SHOE TO TELL THE POLICE WE'VE FOUND THEIR MYSTERY GANG AND LEADER...
THAT SHOULD MAKE INSPECTOR BLACK A VERY HAPPY MAN.

I ARRANGED WITH INSPECTOR BLACK FOR A RECEIVING CHANNEL TO BE PERMANENTLY OPEN FOR ANY MESSAGES WE MIGHT TRY TO GET THROUGH.
LET'S HOPE THE POLICEMAN AT THE OTHER END IS AWAKE!


KEEP TRANSMITTING FOR AS LONG AS POSSIBLE, STEVE! THE POLICE HELICOPTERS WILL BE ABLE TO FIND THIS SHIP BY 'HOMING' ONTO OUR SIGNAL!
LET'S HOPE THE ADMIRAL HASN'T ANY 'TRACKING' DEVICES ABOARD... IF THEY'RE OPERATING WE MAY BE CAUGHT IN THE ACT...

STEVE'S FEARS WERE SOON TO BECOME REALITY, FOR THE ADMIRAL'S PERSONAL 'TRACKING' DEVICE HAD ALREADY PICKED UP THE MORSE SIGNAL...
I'LL DEAL WITH THEM IMMEDIATELY, ADMIRAL!
IT WOULD APPEAR THE NEW RECRUITS ARE BETRAYING US TO THEIR POLICE FRIENDS...

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**Is all lost for Orlando and Steve? Don't miss their last stand next week!**

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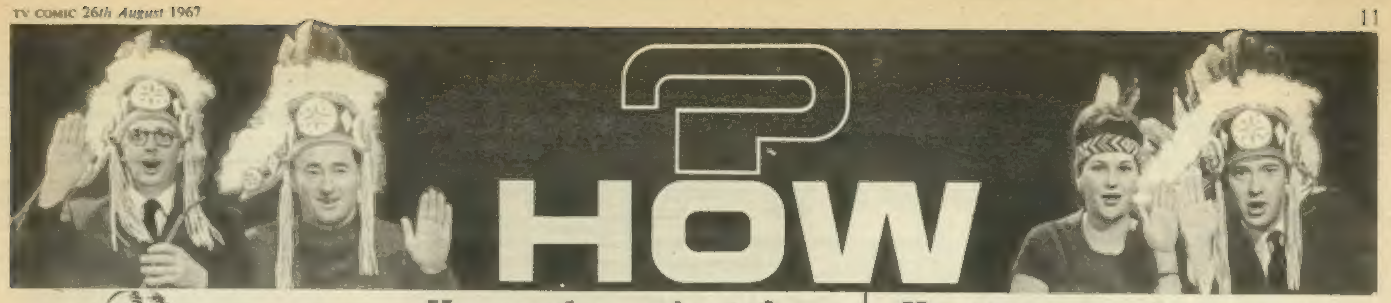
**Boz hits the hay next week! You'll reap a harvest of laughs!**



## How real are giants?

IN 1456, in the Rhone, the bones of a 30 ft. skeleton were found.

In 1577 a 19 ft. skeleton was discovered at Lucerne.

In 1613 a skeleton called 'Teutobochus' was found in a 30 ft. long tomb.

**Pliny, the Greek philosopher, records that an earthquake in Crete exposed the bones of a giant 75 ft. high called 'Orion'. There is a legend which tells how he changed into a constellation at death.**

Giants from the Bible include Goliath of Gath, whose height was given as 6 cubits and a span which is about 11 ft. 3 in.

The skeleton of one Charles O'Brien has been preserved at the Royal College of Surgeons. He was about 8 ft. 4 in. and lived 1761-83. One John Middleton of the same century measured 9 ft. 3 in. with hand length 17 in. by 8½ in. wide.

## How to suspend an egg in water

YOU need a large jam jar, water, salt and an egg.

**Salt water is heavier than an equal quantity of fresh water thus an egg floats in very salty water, but sinks in fresh.**

Half fill the jam jar with water in which a large amount of salt has been dissolved. On top of the salt water pour fresh water until the jar is almost full. (Between the two liquids there is a 'boundary' invisible to the naked eye). Put the egg into the water – it will sink through the fresh water and will float on the lower salt level. It is now suspended in the middle of the water in the jam jar.

## How far can a kangaroo leap?

A KANGAROO jumps in progressive bounds from 10 ft. to 20 ft. at a time, depending on its size. Some kangaroos can stand as tall as 6 ft.

## How to check the number of playing cards in a pack without counting them

DEAL out one card and call it 'A', call the next card 'C' and the next 'E', the next 'T' then 'W' then 'O'—carrying on the spelling right up to the word 'KING'. If you keep the names of the cards in correct sequence and miss out the jokers, you will find that in a pack of fifty-two cards, the last card will be the 'G' in 'KING'.

## How to suspend a ring by a burnt thread

THOROUGHLY soak a piece of strong cotton thread in a concentrated solution of salt and water, then let it dry. When dry, tie the thread to a small curtain ring or something similar and hold it suspended in air by means of the thread. Light the thread.

**It will burn away to ashes yet still manage to hold up the ring.**

## How did Scotland Yard get its name?

THE familiar buildings on the Thames Embankment were until recently, the Headquarters of the Metropolitan Police.

**From 1829 to 1890 the Headquarters were situated in a small street off Trafalgar Square called Scotland Yard. So called after a palace which once stood there, a gift from King Edgar of England to Kenneth II of Scotland, nearly one thousand years ago. It was subsequently used by Scottish kings when they visited London.**

New Scotland Yard is now the official title of the Metropolitan Police Headquarters.

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More exciting facts on next week's HOW? page!

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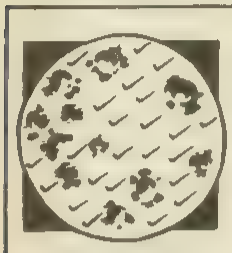
HERE ARE SOME OF THE SUPER WOTSITS YOU SENT US

Ever since we asked you to invent Wotsits of your own, we've been getting them by the thousand! And every one you've sent has been a real hoot! Here are some of your Wotsits printed below. They've won their inventors 10/-!



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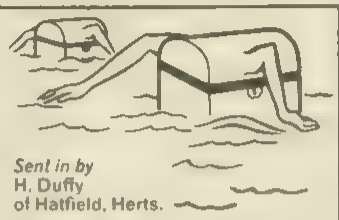

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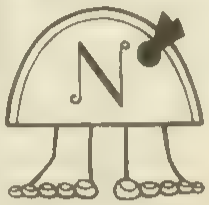

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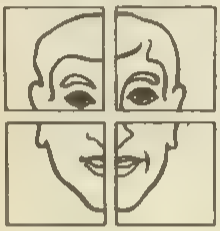

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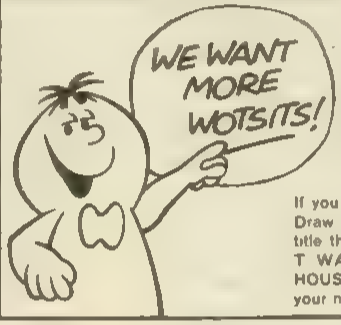


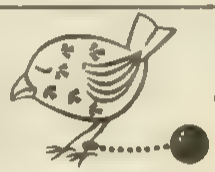

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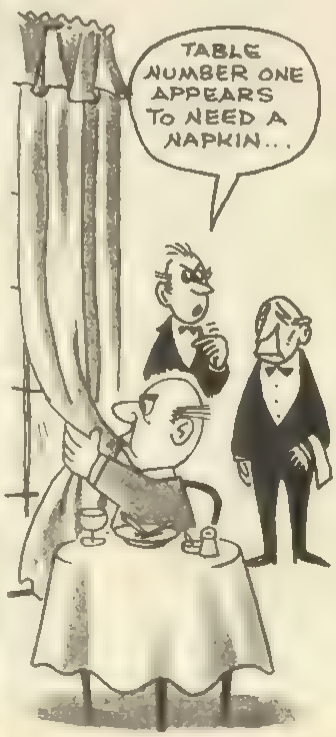


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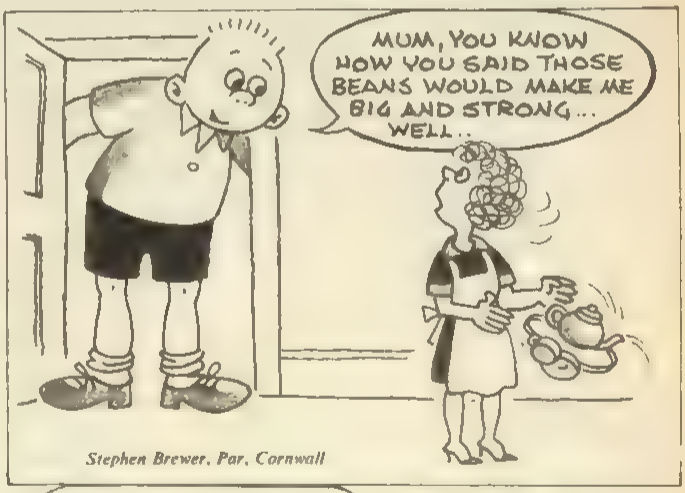


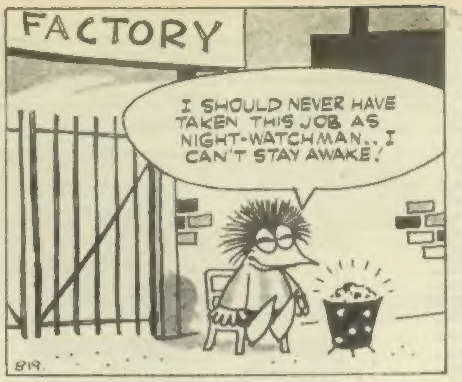

*Stephen Brewer, Par, Cornwall*

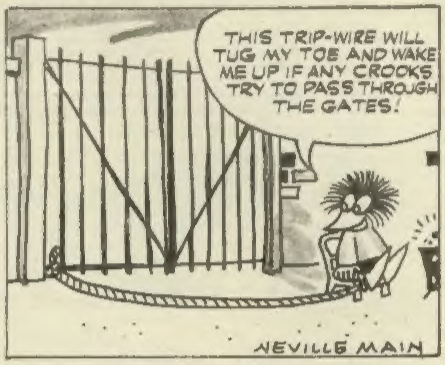
*Stephen Hills, London E.16*

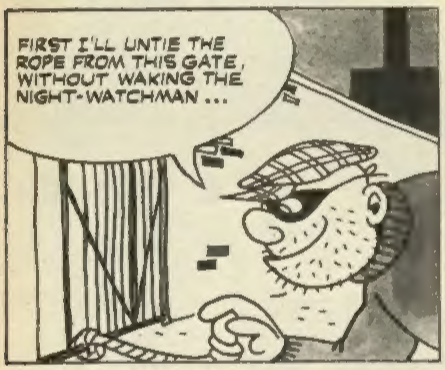
More jokes next week!

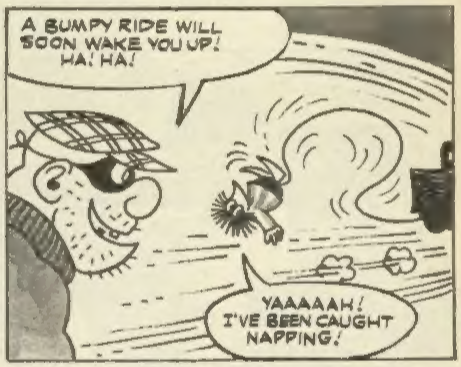
# Tivvy

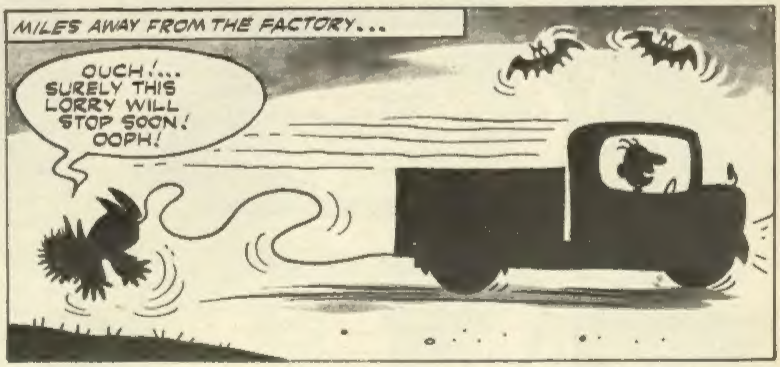
*Tivvy created by Atelier Fauni, Finland*

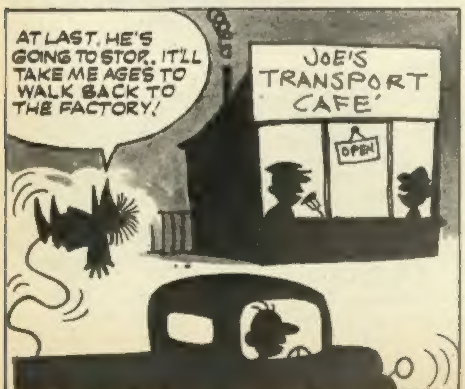


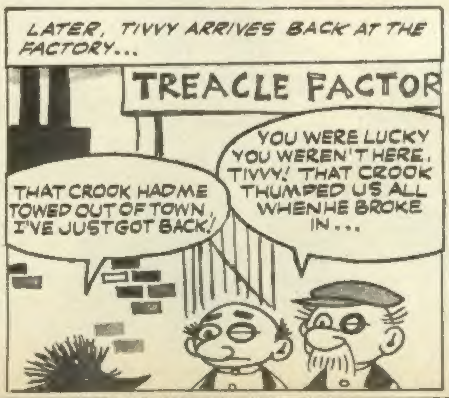










LATER, TIVVY ARRIVES BACK AT THE FACTORY...
TREACLE FACTOR
THAT CROOK HAD ME TOWED OUT OF TOWN, I'VE JUST GOT BACK!
YOU WERE LUCKY YOU WEREN'T HERE, TIVVY! THAT CROOK THUMPED US ALL WHEN HE BROKE IN...

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# DOCTOR

In a desperate bid to reach the Tardis, Dr. Who, John and Gillian escape from the underground factory where Arborge Quince is producing robots for an attack on Earth. However, Quince's robots cut the youngsters off from the Doctor, who darts into the Tardis, apparently leaving his comrades to face the robots alone! . . .

MEANWHILE, INSIDE THE TARDIS---
TARDIS ARMOURY HISTORIC COLLECTION
THERE'S ONLY ONE WEAPON I CAN THINK OF WHICH WILL SAVE JOHN AND GILLIAN FROM THE ROBOTS... NOW WHERE IS IT?.

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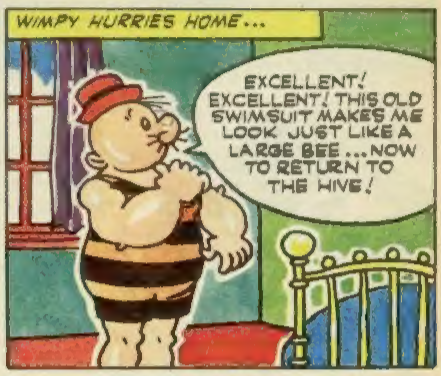
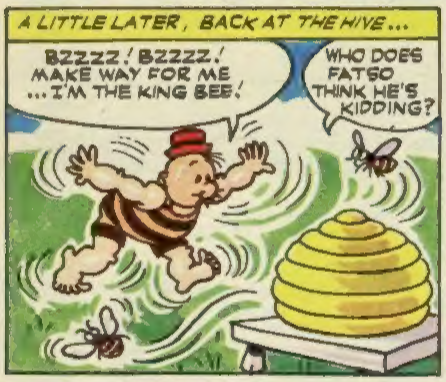
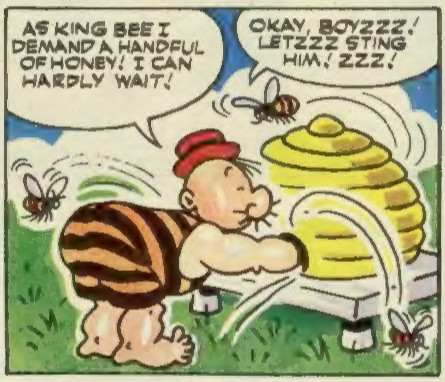
IF THERE'S ENOUGH POWER IN MY THROW THE GRENADE WILL DROP RIGHT DOWN ARBORGE'S LIFT SHAFT...
...INTO HIS UNDERGROUND FACTORY!
BOOM!
THE ROBOTS' MECHANICAL BRAINS HAVE NO MASTER TO GIVE THEM ORDERS NOW... THEY ARE DESTROYING THEMSELVES!
BANG
ARBORGE QUINCE AND HIS ROBOTS WON'T SURVIVE THAT LITTLE LOT!
...THAT'S THE LAST ONE! VERNO'S FORCES ARE CRUSHED AT LAST!
DOCTOR! DOCTOR! WE THOUGHT YOU WERE GOING TO LEAVE WITHOUT US... BUT INSTEAD YOU SAVED OUR LIVES!
YOU SHOULD HAVE HAD MORE FAITH IN ME, CHILD!
CRUMP!
EARTH WILL NEVER KNOW IT, BUT WE THREE ALONE PREVENTED SPACE WAR THREE!
I'VE JOURNEYED THROUGH TIME AND SPACE WITH YOU TOO LONG TO LEAVE YOU TWO BEHIND NOW!

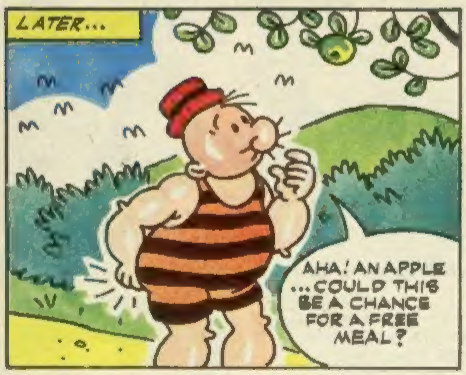
**A great new Dr. Who adventure starts next week: Egyptian Escapade!**

# TV COMIC presents... POPEYE

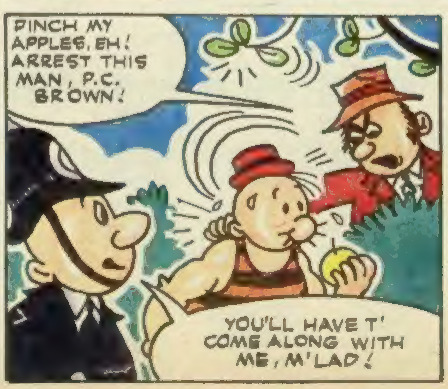




IF THAT APPLE DROPS ON MY SIDE OF THE HEDGE IT NO LONGER BELONGS TO THE OWNER, BUT TO ANYONE WHO CATCHES IT! I INTEND TO BE HERE WHEN IT DROPS!



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Next week Popeye is 'hounded' out of his own home by his dog!